

In the claims:

Claims 1-4; 6-14; and 16-20 (withdrawn).

Please amend claims 5 and 15, as follows:

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5. (Amended) A method of reducing phosphate re-absorption in a subject comprising delivering to the subject an effective amount of ~~(FRP-4)~~ a mammalian frizzled-related protein-4 ("FRP-4 protein").

15. (Amended) The method of claim 5, wherein the ~~(FRP-4)~~ frizzled-related protein-4 ("FRP-4 protein") protein has the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO: 2.

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